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Plan now for 2006!

The TNA's 48th Annual State coin show will be held in Fort Worth, Texas at the Will Rogers Complex on May 12, 13 and 14, 2006. Additional details will be announced in the near future; but in the meantime, mark your calendars to attend.

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by: Stewart Huckaby

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Youth Activities Fund	1,564.38
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ANA Junior Seminar Fund	1,000.00
Coins for A's	418.77
First Texas Bank (FTB)-other	-2603.89
Total First Texas Bank (FTB)	2086.84
Total Checking/Savings	55,560.31
Accounts Receivable	
Lost Mail Deposit	51.00
Total Accounts Receivable	51.00
Other Current Assets	
CD Lone Star Capital Bank	50,000.00
CD Life Memberships-CLNB	30,000.00
Total Other Current Assets	80,000.00
Total Current Assets	135,611.31
Total Assets	**135,611.31**
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Fund Balance	139,657.43
Opening Bal Equity	0.00
Net Income	-4,046.12
Total Equity	135,611.31
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A Few Words from the Editor

By Benny Bolin, NLG

Mother Nature Makes us Think and Thank

As I am putting the finishing touches on this newsletter, the second of two hurricanes have come and gone and left unprecedented damage and destruction in their paths. It is unbelievable that we could have two category 5 hurricanes so close together (fortunately Rita was down to a 3 or 4 by the time she hit). And, at least one more hurricane (hopefully much smaller) is predicted to come to the U.S. this hurricane season. This really shows that we are living in a world that requires us to always be cognizant of our surroundings and environment. We should always be thankful for what we have as the catastrophes that have impacted us, whether man-made or natural, have shown it can all be taken away from us in an instance. We should always think about the possibilities and formulate plans to get us through whatever adversity arises. However, we cannot dwell on the bad and let it consume us. We must trudge on through the quagmire and work to lead normal lives. At times such as these, when so much calamity has hit, we may ask *"why continue with our hobbies—they are not that important in the big picture."* While I do agree that they should not be our primary focus at this particular time, we cannot lose site of our humanity and the importance of remaining human. While it is no longer true that *"all we have to fear is fear itself,"* it is true that we cannot let the fear make us into closet dwellers. We have to be ever vigilant and prepared while striving for normalcy. That is where our hobbies come in. We need to have things that take our mind off of our troubles and give us peace and pleasure. While at the moment, many of us are working to either rebuild or to assist those in need, very soon we need to have an outlet for all of our stress. Our hobbies will allow for this. To all those affected by either of the hurricanes, I say that the TNA is thinking of you and our collective thoughts and prayers are with you. If we can be of assistance, please contact your district governor or one of the officers. To all of you who volunteered to help out in any way, I say THANK YOU. I think that the way that Texas and Texans in particular pulled together to help our neighbors and then our own, is incredible and a response seen and admired by the rest of the nation and the world.

So, in closing, I just want to encourage everyone to remember to never forget and to take time to think, plan and thank.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT
SUBMITTED BY HAL CHERRY

Welcome to new Regular Members, R-6667 through R-6691, R-6694, and J-6692 through J-6693. No objections were received and these applicants became active members on September 1, 2005.

The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on November 1, 2005:

R-6695 - Shirley Dyess – sponsored by Debbie Williams
R-6696 – Donnie McCartney – sponsored by E.L. Bob Bills
R-6697 – Antonio J. Escobar – sponsored by E.L. Bob Bills
R-6698 – Richard A. Goodwin – sponsored by Frank Galindo

VIP LEADERS FOR 2005 ARE: Jim Bevill and Paul Garner.

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MEMBERSHIP AGE RESTRICTIONS REMOVED: At the December 13, 2003 Board Meeting, the By-Laws were changed to remove any minimum age restrictions from both the Junior Member and Life Member categories. The previous minimum age had been nine years.

COINS FOR A's ANNOUNCEMENT

Effective as of September 1, 2005, TNA President Joe Olson has appointed Jim Hedges as the administrator of the Coins for A's Program. Jim replaces Gary and Cindy Hill who have administered this program for the last six years. President Olson and the TNA are indebted to Gary and Cindy for the work they have done and extend a big thank you. Jim can be contacted at 817/571-6448 and all future report cards should be sent to

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SHOW ALERT!

Because of Hurricane Katrina **The Money Show of the Southwest™** has been forced to change its dates to January 20, 21, and 22. Set-up will be on Thursday, January 19th. (The dates are one week earlier than originally scheduled!)

Hotels have agreed to honor the show's room block for the earlier week. Deposits & reservations will also be honored and automatically shifted to the new dates.

The Convention Center has provided a letter indicating that fallout from Hurricane Katrina caused the change in dates. Hopefully, if dealers or collectors have already made airline reservations, the airlines will recognize this natural disaster and allow the change of flight dates without penalty.

The show has announced that it is working on providing **free or reduced rate parking** for its dealers, volunteers and visitors at the 2006 show.

Because of the new dates we understand that the Money Show no longer completes with shows in Macon, GA, Vienna, VA, Fargo, ND, Westchester, NY, and Tucson, AZ. The new dates are now 2 weeks after FUN, 1 week after the New York International, and 3 weeks before Long Beach. We apologize to any other shows whose dates now coincide with the Money Show's.

The show will still give a large dose of Texas hospitality, will still be in the world class convention center that everyone liked so much, will still have the large crowds (actually we expect 10,000 to 12,000 public with the free or discounted parking), will still be run by those friendly volunteers from the Greater Houston Coin Club, and the profits, if there are profits, will still be dedicated to the education of kids and teachers!

Please plan to attend the Money Show in Houston, either as an Early Bird or as one of the more than 10,000 anticipated visitors to one of the most pleasing convention facilities on the numismatic show circuit.

More information can be obtained on the show's web site, www.houstoncoinshow.org or by calling Carl Schwenker at 281-586-9727, or faxing 281-583-7309 or e-mailing themoneyshow@houston.rr.com.

THE TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION TO HOLD TWO SHOWS IN 2006

PATRICK J CURRAN, GOVERNOR DISTRICT X

From its inception, the Texas Numismatic Association (TNA) held coin show every year. For many years the location of the annual show rotated around the state. In the 1990s, it was decided to hold the annual show in one location. Thus for several years the city of Houston was the host city and then the show moved to Fort Worth for the past four years. And that will again be the location of the annual show in May of 2006.

Texas is a big state and has members all over it. At the annual conference and show in Fort Worth in 2004, the TNA Board decided that in addition to the Annual Show, it would hold a fall show each year in one of the outlying cities hosted by a local coin club. The International Coin Club of El Paso offered to host the first rotating show in 2006 and the clubs in the Beaumont area are planning to host a show in the fall of 2007.

El Paso was host to the annual TNA Show in 1986 and again in 1989. In 2006, the show will be held at the El Maida Shrine Hall, 6331 Alabama Avenue, El Paso, Texas 79904, Friday though Sunday, Oct 27-29. The hall is centrally located and only three miles from the airport. Besides a great location, the hall is large, well lit and the El Paso police provide excellent security. The City of El Paso as well as the Chamber of Commerce are looking forward to welcoming the TNA back to the city of "Si and Sun".

El Paso is an ideal location for this show. The city has only one coin show a year, hosted by the International Coin Club which occurs in February. The nearest other shows are in Albuquerque, 262 miles north or Tucson almost 300 miles west. In the last 5 years there has been a huge increase in affluent retirees moving into this Southern New Mexico-West Texas area.

The show will be limited to 107 tables at a cost of $200.00 a table. For information about the show contact: Dr Patrick Curran, PO Box 839 Mesilla, NM 88046 - 505 496 3152 or patrick2193@earthlink.net

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'Obsolete' becomes collector's own stash

Coin enthusiast takes pride in $3 bill collection

By Kevin J. Dwyer

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SILSBEE — Decorated with everything from longhorns to cherubs to farmers slopping their hogs, the $3 bills in Jerry Williams' collection are an interesting view of history that disappeared long ago from America's shops and marketplaces.

"After 1866 (the federal government) canceled them out," said Williams. 70, of his $3 bills. "They said they wanted all the paper currency off the market except U.S. currency."

Before and during the Civil War, states issued their own money through banks located within their borders, Williams said. The money is known as "obsolete currency" and was issued from 1803 to 1864.

His collection which he has working seriously to complete for five years now, has 34 $3 bills in it, one each from 32 states, the District of Columbia and the Republic of Texas.

The Silsbee resident, Beaumont Coin Club president and a life member of the American Numismatic Association, said his complete collection is one of only three or four full sets of $3 bills he is aware of.

"It would be a daunting task to put that together," David Skłow, staff researcher with the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Spring, Colo., said by phone. 'There definitely are a lot of counterfeits out there, and that would make it tougher."

The bills from Utah, Nevada and Kansas were the hardest to find, but Williams said he is most partial to the bill from the Republic of Texas.

"My first was Texas, but the hardest was Utah," Williams said of the 1856 note issued by The Drovers Bank in Salt Lake City. "All of them have pretty pictures, so it would be hard to say which one is my favorite."

But why $3 bills?

"Why not?" Williams responded.

The bills are as interesting as the $4 or $4-and-a-half bills he owns, or the fractional currencies like the 3-cent, 5-cent, 10-cent, 15-cent 25-cent and 50-cent bills printed during the Civil War, when people were hoarding coins. "It's history in this coin or bill out of your pocket and have a lot of history in your hand."

And unlike today's money - which Williams said is OK but not as pretty as, say, the bills issued by me Confederacy — the $3 bills of the 19th century were not made to last

A $l bill made today of cotton and linen has a life expectancy of about 18 months, Williams said. Many of his $3 bills are made on paper as thin as onion skin and some, like the bill issued by Ohio, are so delicate they are translucent.

It rots, it burns, it tears," Williams said of the problems in finding old currency. "It's not as good as coins."

Williams' wife, Barbara, 69, also is a collector and shares her husband's passion for old money.

"It's an obsession she said of his collecting." The old paper money was truly beautiful."

For anyone interested in seeing a $3 bill, Williams will have his collection on display Sept 17-18 at the Southeast Texas Coin and Collectable fall show at the Beaumont Civic Center.

TNA Members Receive ANA Awards

At the 2005 Summer ANA Convention in San Francisco, the following TNA members received awards;

Debbie Williams

Helen Carmody-Lebo Memorial Award for Outstanding District Delegate

Carl Schwenker III

Glenn Smedley Award

The TNA congratulates these two members and thanks them for their efforts!

2005 ANA Convention and Show

by Jerry and Barbara Williams

Because of some auto race, the ANA Convention was changed from San Jose to San Francisco. That was fantastic as far as I was concerned. Jerry and I flew to San Francisco two days before the show so we could do some sight seeing. I had lived in California in the 80's so I knew some of the things I wanted Jerry to see. The first day, we arrived at our hotel and went to our room, and dropped our suitcases. Our hotel was about a half a block from the cable car. We took the cable car to Fisherman's Wharf. We walked around and shopped. We had crab cakes for lunch but they weren't as good as the ones we had in Maryland. Later we headed for the Chocolate Factory for a hot fudge sundae. It was as good as I remembered. The next day, I had booked a city bus trip. It was very foggy when we started out and quite chilly. I had forgotten how cold it could be in the Bay area. It is colder in the summertime than it is in the winter. We got to see most of the city but it was too foggy to go to the twin peaks. We had lunch on the Pier again and then we went on a Bay Cruise. That was very chilly also. On Wednesday, July 27, the convention started at the Moscone West Convention Center. We were at the ribbon cutting of the ANA 114th Anniversary Convention. We had the unique opportunity to see some of the hobby's most acclaimed rarities all assembled in one place. One of those was the Neil/Carter/Contursi silver-plug 1794 dollar struck by the United States Mint. Another was the first gold coin struck in the United States, the unique 1787 Brasher doubloon with Ephraim Brasher's "EB" punch mark on the eagle's breast, now owned by Steven L. Conturse and Donald Kagin. I could write a book on all that we saw and did at that show. There were many educational programs, usually one or two every hour. There were more than twenty world mints on the bourse floor. The "World Mints Passport" which convention visitors fill with coins provide at mint booths, could be bought from ANA. The mints had special coins free of charge. There were many souvenirs & collectibles that we could collect. Jerry and I were able to go to the Federal Reserve in San Francisco. We were surprised to see that they had a very fine paper money exhibit. We also did the Old San Francisco Mint walking tour. San Francisco Historian Michael Levin led us in a tour and told us many facts of the past and present. Hopefully, the Old Grantite Lady will be restored and open for the public. One of my special treats at the convention each year is the Friendship Luncheon. Jerry stayed at the show while I joined some of my friends for lunch at the Franciscan Restaurant. The food was wonderful The breath taking view was made even better by a parade of sail boats and ships that paraded right in front of us. The view is unbelievable anyway without the ships. It was such a beautiful day. On Friday evening, we took a Alcatraz night tour with ANA. We had two large buses of people. Jerry and I had bought sweat shirts after the first Bay cruise so we were prepared for the boat ride over and the wind that always seems to blow on the island It was a very good tour even through I had been there at least twice before The night was as clear as a bell and you could see the

lights from the Golden Gate Bridge and the Bay Bridge. It seemed that the whole city of San Francisco was up late just for us. Saturday evening is always the awards and installation banquet. By the time all of this was done and we had eaten, we headed for the hotel. Then, as usual, I started to repack and Jerry went to bed. The next day, we rented a car and drove to Sacramento to visit some long time friends of mine. We went to the State Capital and took a tour there. One day we went up in the foot hills of the mountains and found the Old Sutter Mine and we stopped by several of the little towns. It was a great trip. We always try to make a vacation out of the convention and show. If you can, you might want to attend one of the shows next year. The spring one is in Atlanta, GA and the summer will be in Denver, CO. This year is flying by and Christmas will be here before we know it. Then spring will be here and the TNA Show. Make your plans to attend that in May of 2006. Till then...

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Prior to gaining statehood, the area that is now West Virginia formed the western part of Virginia. Settlers in the western part of the "Old Dominion" began their efforts to join the federal Union when Virginia announced its secession in 1861. In the western part of the State, the Restored Government of Virginia in Wheeling drafted a state constitution in 1862. The new state called West Virginia applied to Congress for admission into the Union. Congress approved the request with one condition, that the new state abolish slavery. President Lincoln signed the West Virginia statehood bill and on June 20, 1863, West Virginia became the 35th state admitted into the Union.

The design chosen to represent West Virginia is one that combines the natural physical beauty of the State & the triumph of the human intellect exemplified by the engineering wonder that is the New River Gorge Bridge. At 3,030 feet long & 69 feet wide, the bridge is the world's largest steel span and the second highest bridge in the United States, rising 876 feet above the New River Gorge in southern West Virginia. In 1978, 53 miles of the New River was added to the National Park System as the New River Gorge National River. Crossing the New River Gorge meant long detours along narrow, winding mountain roads. Completion of the bridge in 1977 reduced this dangerous 40-mintrip to a smooth & scenic one-minute drive.

On March 31, 2004, West Virginia Governor Bob Wise announced his selection of the New River Gorge as the design he would submit to Treasury for final approval. The Department of Treasury approved the design on May 4, 2004. More than 1,800 design concepts were submitted from around the State, and students from the Governor's School for the Arts narrowed the field to five finalists. Other designs considered included "Appalachian Warmth," "Bridge Day / New River Gorge," "River Rafters," and "Mother's Day / Anna Jarvis."

COMING NEXT EDITION: YEAR IN REVIEW

UNITED STATES COINS—A "PRIMER"

1840-66 SILVER DOLLAR
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This historical information is compiled from the U.S. Coins Series compliments of Numismatic Guarantee Corporation.

The year was 1840. Martin Van Buren was completing a Presidential term blighted by terrible economic depression. This era, called the Hard Times, resulted from years of reckless Western land speculation and the growth of unregulated banks issuing a flood of unsecured paper money. The prolonged depression ravaged America's agriculture and industry and saw hundreds of thousands starving and unemployed.

Inherited from President Andrew Jackson was the Van Buren Administration's faith in "hard money" silver and gold as the only reliable store of value in contrast to shaky credit and worthless paper money. Expressing this hard money outlook, the Mint strove from 1836 to 1840 to create a new circulating silver dollar. No dollar coin had appeared for circulation since 1804, when the last of the 1803-dated Draped Bust dollars were released.

Mint Director Robert Maskell Patterson viewed the new dollar as the pinnacle of America's silver coinage. After all, it was a fortunate workman who made even four dollars for a work week of 76 to 80 hours of unremitting toil in this harsh era. A silver dollar was indeed a store of wealth to millions of impoverished working-class Americans.

An admirer of the seated Britannia on British copper coinage, Patterson believed that a seated female figure would be just as "emblematic of liberty" as the heads and busts adorning the nation's coinage. He engaged the great portrait painter Thomas Sully to make sketches for his seated Liberty. Sully perched her on a rock in Grecian robes, left arm supporting a Union shield with a scroll inscribed LIBERTY. Her right arm was raised and held a pole topped with a small Liberty Cap. The Mint's assistant engraver, Christian Gobrecht, adapted the Sully sketches to bas-relief art suitable for coinage. The result was the Seated Liberty design used at one time or another on half dimes, dimes, 20-cent pieces, quarters, half dollars and dollars from 1836 through 1891.

As reworked by Gobrecht and Robert Ball Hughes, Liberty emerged with a rounded head and her dangling right arm appearing immensely long, her left markedly shorter. Gobrecht's original reverses of 1836-1839 presented a magnificent flying eagle in a starry or plain sky. Unfortunately, the "No Motto" silver dollar of 1840-1865 deleted the innovative flying eagle,

substituting the unimaginative but familiar "sandwich board" bird with dropped wings and a shield on its breast. Liberty had no artist's signature and sat demurely in a circle of 13 stars with the date placed below. The coins of 1840-65 do not have the motto IN GOD WE TRUST on the reverse.

Mintages were generally small by modern standards. t otaling only 2,895,673 coins for the series. The Philadelphia Mint (no mintmark) struck all dates from 1840 to 1865 inclusive; New Orleans (O), struck dollars dated 1846, 1850, 1859 and 1860; the San Francisco Mint (S), struck this type dollar only in 1859. Mintmarks are located under the olive branch, between the eagle's feet on the reverse. Tiny numbers of proofs were struck of most early Philadelphia dates, but they are of great rarity. Numbers struck are not known with certainty and are omitted from popular guide books. Proofs were first made for public sale in 1858 when perhaps 80 pieces were struck; later proof mintages never exceeded 1,000 except for 1860, when 1,330 pieces were coined. Proof restrikes were made of the 1851 and 1852 coins. The last No Motto date was 1865, with 46,500 business strikes and 500 proofs made. Two 1866-dated No Motto coins are known, but these "fantasy pieces" were made somewhat later for sale to wealthy collectors. In recent years, the existence of a single proof 1851-O specimen has come to light, although researchers postulate that this was accidentally made by the Philadelphia "Midnight Minters," (probably engraver George Eckfeldt and his son, Mint night watchman Theodore) who in their haste to clandestinely remanufacture the coveted 1851 issue, inadvertently used an 1859 reverse die awaiting shipment to New Orleans.

Seated dollars never circulated to any great extent in the East, although numbers were in daily use west of the Mississippi. The Civil War further restricted their circulation as the numbers of business strikes and proofs struck contracted sharply. Bullion buyers snapped up most new silver coins for export as fast as they were made. These coins were shipped overseas for melting and the only U.S. Mint product most citizens saw were the new bronze cents. Coin collectors derided the Mint as "Uncle Sam's copperhead factory."

These large silver coins had some odd striking characteristics. The actual position of Liberty's head may cause poor detail even on pristine specimens. The feathers on the eagle's leg and the claws may also show evidence of weak strike. Wear first appears on Liberty's thigh, right breast and the top of her head. The tops of the eagle's wings follow. Because of their size and weight, uncirculated coins stored in Mint bags will show scattered contact marks. Proofs often are hairlined from the careless handling of early non-numismatic owners or will show evidence of cleaning by old-time collectors.

Seated Liberty dollars have gained in popularity with the entire collector community since the 1970's, when the great U.S. Treasury hoard of silver dollars was liquidated, although few of the design were found. To collectors more familiar with Morgan and Peace dollars issued in the tens of millions, these earlier coins may seem scarce and elusive, and indeed they are. Only a small minority of all Seated Liberty dollars struck remain in existence today. Researcher Weimar W. White estimated that only a fraction surviveeven in low grade.

Assembling a complete date and mint set in lower circulated grades is within reason, given patience and perseverance. An entire set in mint-state will be costly, especially for examples of the 1850-O, 1851, 1852, and 1859-S. A complete run of proofs is a theoretically possible goal but one which will be unrealistic for any but the best-financed collector.

The Seated Liberty series continued from 1866 to 1873 with the reverse motto IN GOD WE TRUST. The coinage act of Feb. 12, 1873 discontinued the silver dollar and abolished the legal tender status of all silver dollars struck from 1794 to 1873. This is the law later savagely denounced by the vocal partisans of free and unlimited coinage of silver as the "Crime of `73." Legal tender status was restored when Morgan dollar striking began in 1878.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Diameter: 38.1 millimeters
Weight: 26.73 grams
Composition: .900 silver, .100 copper
Edge: Reeded
Net Weight: .77344 oz pure silver

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Notes From a Slightly Frayed Cuff

By: Paul Garner

Governor, Districts 16 and 17

There are two things that are so nice about being in this wonderful hobby of ours. The first is the wonderful people that you meet and the second is the chance to sample different cuisines from all over the country. In my case, since I usually travel to shows from Texas east to Georgia and the Carolinas, I have been able to experience some delectable meals.

My most enjoyed hobby – besides coins that is – is cooking. When I was stationed in the Air Force I was able to visit 6 of the 7 continents and sample many different styles o cooking. I started collecting recipes whenever possible. Many times I just took my notebook and wrote down what the cook told me. I found that the smaller mom and pop restaurants offered more specialized regional cooking and were willing to share their recipes.

Poor New Orleans. First, the last show was cancelled due to Hurricane Dennis and now the show for next month (November) will probably be cancelled also. Mother nature has spoken and the human race listened. I hope that all of our friends in the southern Louisiana area are safe.

I attended the College Station show on the 17th of July. This show is well run and there were a large number of people attending. I spoke to a number about organizing a new Bryan-College Station Club and the show promoter agreed to be a point of contact.

The Alabama Numismatic Association show in Bessemer, 22-24 July, was another well-organized show but the cement floors were hard on the feet. Most of the dealers were so busy that they couldn't sit down for the better part of the show. There were about 100 dealers in attendance and over 2000 customers. This was well above the ratio of 10 buyers per dealer and ensured that all had a good show. As a dealer I especially appreciated the free food for the dealers on setup night. This is a thoughtful gesture by the Alabama State Association people to show the dealers that they are welcome.

The Shreveport show, held in Bossier City, was the weekend of 29-31 July and was as usual. A well planned show with lots of pages and food for the dealers on setup night. The show wasn't quite as well attended this year as it has been in years past. I believe that this had something to do with Hurricane Dennis hitting the coast since I saw none of my regular customers from southern Louisiana.

The first weekend of August has three shows, Sherman, Texas, Meridian, Mississippi, and Bellaire, Texas. Unfortunately, I came down with a bout of stomach flu and was confined to the house.

The Amarillo Show and Emily's birthday party conflicted. It was with deep regret that I did not go to the Amarillo show where I have so many fine friends. When you are faced with two important events you have to make a choice. Emily, naturally, comes first.

The weekend of 18-21 August had four fine shows. There was Richardson, Texas, the Ohio State show, Wichita, Kansas, and the Blue Ridge show in Dalton, Georgia. Blue ridge is about a 175-table show with over 5000

people through the door. I have been going to Dalton for both the Blue Ridge and the Georgia State Shows for a number of years. It is a long drive, over 950 miles from Waco, but well worth it. The show chairman and I sat down for a while and compared notes on the southern shows versus eastern shows and, especially, Blue Ridge. I think that we both came away with some good ideas.

San Antonio's one-day show was on August 27th. San Antonio has four 1day shows a year sponsored by the Gateway or Alamo coin clubs. These shows are sold out with waiting lists and are well attended. Alamo has 90 tables and Gateway has about 50. Their shows seem to prove that a two day shows are not necessary to have a good show. It may be that some of our other Texas Clubs may want to look into having a one-day show. Both San Antonio shows open to the dealers at 7am and to the public at 10 am. Both shows closed to the public at 5pm. These one-day shows certainly cut down dealer expenses.

The following day my child bride and I went to the JMV Entertainment show in Temple. Jim Vaughn is trying to establish a series of one-day shows all over Texas in some places that haven't had a coin show in years. I encourage all TNA members to help support Jim in his venture. The hobby needs more like him.

Last weekend the child bride and I went to Lawton for a one-day show. This one was not too well attended since many of the regular customers from Fort Sill were on duty in southern Louisiana and Mississippi doing hurricane relief. Kessler Air Force Base in Biloxi was very hard hit and is rumored to be about 90% destroyed. They transferred all the technical training students to Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls for the interim. Only time will tell whether or not this move will become permanent.

The 50th Birthday of the Texas Numismatic Association is coming up and I have been appointed (suckered?) into doing some of the preliminary planning for the 50th Birthday Bash for TNA. The organizational meeting of TNA occurred at Port Lavaca on 10 January 1960 with 47 Texas numismatists in attendance. Our 1st convention was held in Fort Worth (not Temple) in October 1960. The second was held in Houston in April 1961 and the third was held in Odessa in October 1961. The 4th was held at Temple in April 1962. One of the questions to be decided is to where we should have out 50th Birthday Bash. I am sorta partial to San Antonio since the Alamo City hasn't had a show in quite some time.

As exhibits chairman I am again issuing a call for exhibits for the Convention in Fort Worth in May. We need your help. Write or email me for an application and a set of rules.

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ADVANTAGES:

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OFFICIAL PUBLICATION:

Each Regular, Junior, Life and Chapter member receives the TNA News for no additional cost. Insofar as possible, this media will keep you informed about your association, and the individual and chapter members. It carries timely articles and features. Its pages are free to all members to express their views and to contribute articles for the advancement of numismatics. Those seeking information may ask for help through the pages of the TNA News. Those having items for sale or trade may advertise for a nominal sum. The TNA News is the voice of the TNA.

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October 15 **Round Rock, Texas** **40 Tables**
Central Texas Coin Show: Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 and Highway 79, Exit 253, Round Rock, Texas 78664. Contact Francis Smith (512) 339-2923 fpsmith@sbcglobal.net

October 16 **Houston,Texas**
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November 5-6 **Ft. Worth, TX**
Fort Worth Coin Club Spring Show. Lockheed Recreation Center. 3400 South Bryant Irvin Road. Admission $3. Free Parking. Door Prizes. Contact Gary Andrews (817) 444-5500 or email apctexas@aol.com. .

November 13 **El Paso,Texas**
El Paso Coin and Currency Show. Hilton Inn - El Paso Airport, 2027 Airway Blvd (IH -10 at Airway). Hours:10am -4pm Admission:$ 1.00. Tables:$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple,Texas 76503. (254) 774-7185 / 254 - 760 -8682.
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November 19 **San Antonio, Texas** **60 Tables**
Alamo Coin ShowLive Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. at Loop 1604, just off IH-35 N. 9:30 AM-5:30 PM. Children's Auction at 2:30. A:$1. Free Parking, Hourly Door Prizes. Tables $100. Contact: Harold Eiserloh, Box 100714, San Antonio, TX 78201 E-mail: clips@ev1.net

November 20 **Temple,Texas**
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December 3 **Tuleta, TX** **5 Tables**
South Texas Coin Club Show. Historic Park Hotel. Tables $40. Contact Bob Bills, 416 W. 3rd. Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.

December 10 **Laredo,Texas**
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December 10-11 **Ft. Worth,Texas**
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December 17 **Tyler,Texas**
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December 18 **Dallas,Texas**
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January 21 **Round Rock, TX** **40 Tables**
Central Texas Coin Show; Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 and Highway 79, Exit 253; Round Rock, TX 78664. Contact: Bryan Jones (512) 339-2923 or Francis Smith at fpsmith@sbcglobal.net. Hours: 9:00am to 4:00pm.

January 28 **Sherman, TX** **32Tables**
Texoma Coin Show. Quality Inn, 3605 Hwy 75 S. Exit 56 (FM 1417). A: free. Contact Gary Rollins, Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070: (972) 727-1566 email--grollins@ev1.net or Tony Hales, Box 832032, Richardson, TX, 75080. (972) 690-4340. email--tkhales@yahoo.com.

February 4 **Pharr, TX** **50 Tables**
18th Annual Coin & Collectible Show, sponsored by the Hidalgo Coin Club of the Rio Grande Valley. Pharr Civic Center, 1011 W. Kelly.
Free Admission and Door Prizes. Contact: Don Higgins, Bourse Chairman, P.O. Box 720785, McAllen, TX 78504. (956) 688-6922.

February 4-5 **Ft. Worth, TX** **65 Tables**
24th Annual Winter Coin Show. Green Oaks Inn, 6901 W I-30. A: free. Tables $200. Contact—Joe and Linda Wade, 6420 Diamond Loc N., Ft. Worth, TX 6180. (817) 485-1777.

February 17-19 **El Paso, TX** **50 Tables**
International Coin Club of El Paso's 43rd Annual Show. El Maida Temple, 6331 Alabama Street, El Paso, 1pm - 7pm 2/17, 9am - 6pm 2/18, 9am - 4pm 2/19. Free admission. New large location. Contact John Grost at JohnGrost@aol.com or 915-533-6001 for further information.

February 25 **San Antonio, Texas** **35 Tables**
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March 4 **Beeville, TX** **21 Tables**
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March 4-5 **Orange, TX**
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Semi-Annual Coin Show. Sponsored by the Collin County Coin Club. Holiday Inn, 1300 N. Central Expy (Hwy 75N; exit 40B). A: free. Tables $50/$60. Contact Gary Rollins, Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070; (972) 727-1566. email grollins@ev1.net or www.collincoinclub.com

April 8 **Round Rock, TX** **40 Tables**
Central Texas Coin Show; Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 and Highway 79, Exit 253; Round Rock, TX 78664. Contact: Bryan Jones (512) 339-2923 or Francis Smith at fpsmith@sbcglobal.net. Hours: 9:00am to 4:00pm

April 14-15 **Arlington, TX**
9th Annual Easter Weekend Coin Show presented by the Dallas and Mid-Cities Coin Clubs. LaQuinta Inn and Conference Center, I-30 at Hwy 360, Arlington (near Six Flags & the ballpark). Contact: John Post, Box 15554, Ft.Worth, 76119 (817)429-4315. email—easterweekndshow@sbcglobal.net

April 28-30 **Grapevine, TX** **70 Tables**
Texas Coin Show at the Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, (4 miles NW of DFW Airport off Hwy 114, exit Main, right on Vine). Free parking, police security. A: $2. Gold Prizes. Contact: Ginger or David Pike, Box 126, Tom Bean, TX 75489. email—lrctexas@direcway.com.

May 12-14 **Ft. Worth, TX**
Texas Numismatic Association annual convention and show. Will Rogers Convention Center. Contact: Jim Fitzgereld at 817-847-5205 or at jamesfitz@prodigy.net

May 27 **San Antonio, Texas** **35 Tables**
San Antonio Coin and Collectible Show. Saturday 9a-5p. Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. NE of San Antonio at IH35N and Loop 1604. Free Admission, free parking and door prizes. Sponsored by the Gateway Coin Club, Inc. Contact Raymond Tate, Box 12964, San Antonio, Tx 78212-0964. Ph—(210)271-3429. email—retate@msn.com

June 9-11 **Grapevine, TX** **70 Tables**
Texas Coin Show at the Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, (4 miles NW of DFW Airport off Hwy 114, exit Main, right on Vine). Free parking, police security. A: $2. Gold Prizes. Contact: Ginger or David Pike, Box 126, Tom Bean, TX 75489. email—lrctexas@direcway.com

June 24 **Round Rock, TX** **40 Tables**
Capital City Coin Clubs 34th Annual Coin Show; Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 and Highway 79, Exit 253, Round Rock, TX 78664. Contact: Bryan Jones at (512) 339-2923. Hours 9:00am to 4:00pm.

July 21-23 **Grapevine, TX** **70 Tables**
Texas Coin Show at the Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, (4 miles NW of DFW Airport off Hwy 114, exit Main, right on Vine). Free parking, police security. A: $2. Gold Prizes. Contact: Ginger or David Pike, Box 126, Tom Bean, TX 75489. email—lrctexas@direcway.com

August 12 **Sherman, TX** **32 Tables**
Texoma Coin Show. Quality Inn, 3605 Hwy 75 S. Exit 56 (FM 1417). A: free. Contact Gary Rollins, Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070; (972) 727-1566 email—grollins@ev1.net or Tony Hales, Box 832032, Richardson, TX, 75080. (972) 690-4340. email--tkhales@yahoo.com

August 25-27 **Richardson, Texas** **85 Tables**
19th Annual Plano Coin Show. Richardson Civic Center, 411 West Arapaho Rd (SW corner Central Expwy & Arapaho Rd). A: Free. Tables $185. Contact Mark Schroder, Lone Star Mint, Inc. 805 East 15th St, Plano, 75074-5805. (972) 424-1405. email planoshow@lsmint.com

September 9 **San Antonio, Texas** **60 Tables**
Alamo Coin Show. Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. at Loop 1604, just off IH-35 N. 9:30 AM-5:30 PM. Children's Auction at 2:30. A:$1. Free Parking, Hourly Door Prizes. Tables $95. Contact: Harold Eiserloh, Box 100714, San Antonio, TX 78201 E-mail: clips@ev1.net.

September 30 **McKinney, TX** **38 Tables**
Semi-Annual Coin Show. Sponsored by the Collin County Coin Club, Holiday Inn, 1300 N. Central Expy (Hwy 75N; exit 40B). A: free. Tables $50/$60. Contact Gary Rollins, Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070; (972) 727-1566 email grollins@ev1.net or www.collincountycoinclub.com

October 6-8 **Grapevine, TX** **70 Tables**
Texas Coin Show at the Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, TX (4 miles NW of DFW Airport off Hwy 114, exit Main, right on Vine). Free parking, police security. A: $2. Gold Prizes. Contact: Ginger or David Pike, Box 126, Tom Bean, TX 75489. email—lrctexas@direcway.com

October 14 **Round Rock, TX** **40 Tables**
Central Texas Coin Show; Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 and Highway 79, Exit 253; Round Rock, TX 78664. Contact: Bryan Jones (512) 339-2923 or Francis Smith at fpsmith@sbcglobal.net. Hours: 9:00am to 4:00pm.

October 27-29 **El Paso, TX** **107 Tables**
TNA Fall Coin Show. El Maida Shrine Hall, 6331 Alabama Ave, El Paso. Contact—Pat Curran, Box 839, Mesilla, NM 88046. (505) 496-3152. email—patrick2193@earthlink.net.

November 11 **San Antonio, Texas** **60 Tables**
Alamo Coin Show. Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. at Loop 1604, just off IH-35 N. 9:30 AM-5:30 PM. Children's Auction at 2:30. A:$1. Free Parking, Hourly Door Prizes. Tables $95. Contact: Harold Eiserloh, Box 100714, San Antonio, TX 78201 E-mail: clips@ev1.net

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EDITOR'S NOTE--Send me your club reports, preferably by email and get your club's activities noticed and recognized!

DISTRICT I

Fort Worth Coin Club (Internet Report)

The August meeting started with Olyve Abbott giving the Secretary's report & Raymond Franco giving the Treasurer's report Both were accepted by the membership **Guest**: Club was pleased to have Don Dawson as our guest. President Ed Lasko opened the meeting and welcomed all the members and guests. Jack Allen presented a film called "Deep Mirror of Proof Morgan Dollars" which was a very enjoyable film with a lot of interesting facts. We had 3 Door prize winners: Jack Allen, Eddie Parish and Robert Anderson. The Raffle Winners were: Jack Allen – spiral Red Book; John Post – hard back Red Book; Stewart Huckaby – 1900-0 Morgan; Lorenzo Horalek – 1889-P Morgan; John Post – 1883-0 Morgan. Frank Provasek auctioned 42 lots. Felix Tijerina and Tim Ladd were his runners.

Submitted by Ed Lasko

Northeast Tarrant County Coin Club (Internet Report)

The August 11, club meeting began about 7pm by Richard "Jefferson" Wallace as Robert was late arriving. Prior to the meeting, a brisk business was conducted selling raffle tickets for the MS65 NGC TONED 1897 Morgan dollar that Anaconda Coins donated that will be raffled FOR SURE in September. Tickets are$1 each. Contact Russell for details. ALSO, Orders are being taken for the Club logo T-Shirts at $23 each. Contact Merle for details if you can't make it to a meeting. The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted as delivered by email from the secretary. The nominating committee consists of Frank Schick, David Werner, Jeff Cecil, Kenny Smith, and Jim Hedges. Elections will be held in October. If you have any interest in serving, please contact one of the members of the nominating committee. New Business John Post reported that the Mid-Cities Coin Club has an 1887-S $5 Gold PCGS AU55 & 2005 Proof Eagle $1 2005 Unc Eagle $1 for raffle...tickets are $1 each of 6 for $5. Contact John Post 817-429-4315 for details. Drawing will be when tickets are sold out. Interesting Finds: John Post showed a Canadian Gold that he bought on eBay for less than melt. Ron Surprenant found a 1925 Canadian nickel the lowest mintage was found in a low priced group of coins. Jeff Cecil has about 6,000 Canadian nickels he is looking to unload Richard gave a nice

presentation on Type Coin Collections. He spoke of finding the right kind of collection and showed off several of his type set collections. Attendance was 44. The usual door prized, raffle, and auction were held after the educational program.

The September 7, 2005 club meeting began about 7pm with an attendance of 46. The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted as delivered by email from the secretary. Treasurer's Report from Merle Owens indicated a beginning balance of $5,084.91. After the refund of the $500 for the hotel meeting room, revenue and expenses for the new club logo shirts, and other income and expenses, Merle reported an ending balance of $5,456.87 (which includes the $1,000.00 education fund). Many of the members received their club shirts, and speaking for myself, they were great! Be sure to wear them to the next coin show. As far as I know, orders are still being taken for the Club logo T-Shirts at $23 each. There was some discussion of the by-laws. The club must wait until incorporation is finalized prior to voting to adopt the by-laws. The incorporation paperwork has been filed with the State. The vote is expected to be held at the October meeting. The nominating committee consists of Frank Schick, David Werner, Jeff Cecil, Kenny Smith, and Jim Hedges. They will report a slate of candidates and elections will be held in OctoberInteresting Finds: Russell discussed the 1877-S and 1878-S Seated Halves and why the mintages are not to be believed. Who knew that Seated Half dollars was Russell's favorite? Stewart announced that the newest Heritage Sale Catalog is now available. Bill Yates announced his find of a rare NC2 1801 cent. Robert talked about some of the recent coin news relating to the confiscation of a number of the RARE 1933 $20s and the 1974 aluminum cent. Bob Foster confessed his 1854-S quarter eagle story from 1997. (Heavy Sigh!) The club was fortunate to have Brandon Kelly of Anaconda Rare Coins bring 21 rare and high grade type rareties and patterns. Some of the highlights included a Gobrech Dollar, a proof Morgan, Bechler Dollar, high grade and toned commems and early proof type coins. Just WOW! If you missed seeing them take a look at some of their coins on eBay at eBay handle anaconda.rare.coins. Out thanks to Anancondo for showing some Awesome Coins. Attendance prizes went to Henry Brasco and Tom Hayden. Lottery winners Henry Brasco, Danny Self, Jonathan Whitney (2), Ron Suprenant, and Grand Prize to Tom Hayden

Faithfully submitted: Jack Gilbert, Secretary

DISTRICT V

Collin County Coin Club (Internet Report)

The July 21st meeting of the Collin County Coin Club was held at the Steak Kountry restaurant in McKinney with 28 members in attendance. Gary Rollins ran a 68-lot auction with John McWilliams assisting. A joint meeting of the Dallas Coin Club and Collin County Coin Club was held at Herrera's Restaurant on July 30. There were 48 attendees evenly split between the two clubs. Stewart Huckaby of the Dallas Coin Club conducted an auction that was so popular that a few of the waiters got in on the bidding action. Door

prize winners were James Terry, Phillip Allison, Bill Nelson and Robert Bossmin. Lotto winners were Bobby Robinson and Clint McGregor. Congratulations to the winners! Kim Groves, our new President for the 2005 – 2006 membership year, gave a brief overview of the recent Executive Board meeting. The Executive Committee has agreed on three focus areas for the coming year and formed committees for each. Young Numismatists Committee – James Terry, Chairman; Membership Retention Committee – John McWilliams, Chairman; By-laws Committee – Becky Elizondo, Chairman. John briefly spoke about his plans for membership retention including more member participation at club meetings. Some of the ways that members can participate is to bring a show and tell item to a meeting. John mentioned bringing your favorite coin, your best coin or even your ugliest coin. There will also be an extra door prize drawing ticket given for doing a short presentation. John is also lining up outside programs and guest speakers. John also gave a short presentation on the three-cent piece.
The August 18th meeting of the Collin County Coin Club was held at the Steak Kountry restaurant in McKinney with 21 members in attendance. Gary Rollins ran a 60-lot auction with John McWilliams assisting. Mike Wood, who originally joined the club in 1996, has rejoined after a two year absence. Welcome back Mike! Door prize winners were John McWilliams, Victor Elizondo, Chester Shippy and Mike Wood. Lotto winners were Jim Shiplet, Phillip Allison, David Linacre and Bill Nelson! Our club show is coming up on October 1, 2005 at the Holiday, Inn, 1300 N. Central Expwy, Exit 40B, McKinney. Volunteers are needed. Please sign up on the website or contact Gary Rollins. John McWilliams sponsored a contest on grading a war nickel.

Dallas Coin Club (Internet Report)

President Glenn Woods called the August meeting to order. There were 16 members and 1 guest in attendance. The guest was Dennis Ruby. A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting and accept them as previously printed and distributed. Treasurer David Swann reported that there was $8,764.32 in the club's checking account, $493.89 in cash, a $10,000 one-year CD and a $15,000 five-year CD for a total of $34,258.21. There are 48 regular members and 2 junior members. John Post announced that the registration forms, etc. for the Easter Weekend 2006 show would be sent out that week. Vice President Stewart Huckaby stated that the August speaker was not in attendance. Under old business, Glenn Woods reported that he had not made contact with Steve Ivy yet concerning the additional questions that were raised by the members concerning the possibility of holding the monthly meetings at Heritage. Stewart Huckaby mentioned that it had been determined that the club could use the 10th floor auction room if the 1st floor auction room was booked. Glenn Woods again offered his new office at Preston & LBJ as an overflow location if both auction rooms were booked at Heritage. The club currently pays $50 per month to La Calle Doce for the use of the room. Glenn will contact the necessary parties at Heritage with a list of specific

questions/concerns. As part of new business, Glenn Woods announced that his office opened that Monday. Sixteen truckloads of books were taken to the office to fill the 862 linear feet of shelving. Anyone interested in visiting Glenn's office should contact him ahead of time to schedule an appointment. Glenn also mentioned an interesting article in *Coin World* concerning coins that were recently seized. John Post announced that the Mid-Cities Coin Club is holding a raffle in October or November for several coins, including a $5 gold coin, proof Eagle and an uncirculated Eagle. The tickets are $1 each. Hal Cherry made a motion to have the Dallas Coin Club purchase $100 worth of tickets (120 tickets). The motion was seconded and passed. During Show & Tell, **Larry Herrera** brought another counterfeit detector that he purchased on eBay. He estimates that it dates between 1850 and 1855. **Hal Cherry** brought a recent copy of the *TNA News* that contained an article concerning the 2nd restrike of the 1861 Confederate Cent and one of the actual coins. He also brought one of the 1st US stamps from 1847. **Mark Jones** brought the last of his slabbed commemoratives. The coins included Texas from 1934 in MS66, Fort Vancouver from 1925 in MS63, Vermont from 1927 in MS63, Booker T. Washington from 1947 in MS65, Washington Carver from 1951 in MS64, Wisconsin from 1936 in MS65, York from 1936 in MS65 and an Isabella quarter from 1893 in MS62. Jim Jeska, David Keyser, Glenn Woods, Judy Dobbins and Kathy Lawrence won door prizes. Raffle prizes were won by Ben Hong, Stewart Huckaby (three times!) and Tim Moehlman. Seven bidders won items in the auction, spending a total of $70.00. There were also two club lots that raised $5.50. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Lawrence, Secretary

DISTRICT VI

Bellaire Coin Club, (Internet Report)

There were 36 members and guests at the July 18th meeting. Club members had a "Non-lick and stick" party, setting up the cards, for your coin show, August 6-7. Sebastian Frommhold noted the chairpersons for the coin show. They never get to enjoy the show the way the public gets to enjoy it. Please come directly to the show to help. While you are volunteering, you will learn about numismatic topics or meet another club members. Tim Conway requested a cash donation for the children's auction. The club motioned and voted to give $350 for the children's auction. The club will still accept items for the children's auctions, even at the show. Check that it is well labeled, so the auctioneer can describe it. Sebastian Frommhold and Ed Stephens reminded the club about the set up on August 5 at 5:00 PM at, the Bellaire Civic Center. Set up will have door prizes and dealer security. Sebastian Frommhold and Ed Stephens suggested that could help with walking the bourse floor or helping with registration. Ed Stephens noted the when the club sets up a show at the Bellaire Civic Center. The club has never asked for an admission fee. Sebastian Frommhold stated that the Houston Chronicle

Classifieds will have a note about the show. Thurman Fowler presented the program, "How The Earth Creates Gold In Molten Rock."
There were 34 members and guests at the August 1st meeting. Jim Bevill helped a Boy Scout with a collection check for a merit badge. Jim Bevill, Ed Stephens, and tom Windsheimer discussed the show set up. The set up will have security, barbecue and door prizes. Norris Tyer, Junior reminded everybody to bring gloves. The tables have sharp staples. Ed Stephens stated to show schedule. Times when the show set up, show was open, children's auctions. Jim Bevill asked about the children's auction cash and member applications. Michael Wolford said he had all of that ready for the show. Ed Stephens again announced the importance of volunteering. Jim Bevill, Ed Stephens had question about when the reminder cards were sent. Some people did not get a card. Michael Wolford stated it was not the list that has addresses from National Coin week show. Tim Conway reminded the club about the children's auctions donations. Tim Conway and Ed Stephens noted some of the dealer that sent children's auctions donations. Thurman Fowler presented a slide program, "Prospecting River Gold."
There were 26 members and guests at the August 15th meeting. Sebastian Frommhold and Ed Stephens noted dealers that thanked the club for a wonderful show. Sebastian stated that the next meeting, September 19, would have estimate totals from the show. Ed Stephens presented thank you gifts to all of the volunteers. The following are samples of the important jobs done by the same people at each show. Contacting dealers, show exhibits, boy scout workshops, educational programs, children's auction donations, children's auction auctioneers, creating children's auction money, database updates, card labels, print the reminder cards, table set up, signing in visitors, snack bar and table tear down. Jim Bevill noted a member is in the hospital. Editor did not understand the reason for the trip. Jim also reminded the club about Greater Houston's program on confederate numismatics. Al Stern presented the program, "Counterfeit Coins."
Submitted by: Michael Wolford--Bellaire Newsletter Editor

Greater Houston Coin Club, (Internet Report)

Prior to the start of the meeting, club members and guests feasted on an excellent dinner provided by John Coker. Richard Laster called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 38 members and four guests in attendance. The guests were Liz Cooper, Jordan and Karen McClusky, and Bruce Burton. The club voted to accept as a new member Don Valenziano. The club was saddened to learn of the passing of Mrs. Johnie Watson, wife of Bill Watson. After fighting breast cancer for two years, Johnie went to Heaven on July 15th. The club observed a moment of silence in honor of the Watson family. A $50 donation will be made to the American Cancer Society in memory of Johnie. The members of GHCC extend our deepest sympathy to Bill and his family. Sebastian Frommhold opened the floor for Show and Tell after discussing the book "The Money of the Mexican Revolution" which John Barber brought back from the ANA summer seminars. Sebastian

mentioned that three GHCC club members are mentioned in the book's credits and that a fourth should have been mentioned. John Barber showed off one of Eve's numismatic collections, a date set of "horse pesos" from Mexico (1910-1914). Gail Brichford passed around a 1972 German proof set obtained as a gift while he was working overseas. Francis Townsend presented a magician's coin, a hollowed out penny that allows a dime to be hidden in it. Carl Schwenker emptied his suitcase which contained one of the deepest DMPL Morgan dollars that he has ever owned, a thank you card from Henry Gail McGinnis (one of the teachers sponsored by GHCC to attend the ANA summer seminar), a Panama Canal medal, two Pan-Pacific Expo medals, and a 1980 Olympic proof set made scarce by the United States' boycott of those Olympic games. Michael Wolford passed around an article related to the founding of the GHCC which he found while conducting library research. Finally, Richard Laster showed off a coin that he purchased from a blind coin dealer! Carl Schwenker won the Show and Tell door prize. It should be noted that he only received one ticket for his suitcase of items presented at the meeting. Carl conducted a random drawing and awarded his silver eagle prize to one of the youth in attendance. John Coker then delivered the educational presentation on patriotic Civil War tokens. An article is included in this month's newsletter for those members who couldn't make the meeting. Each educational presenter is asked to submit an article for publication in the Double Shift and for use on the club's web site. After a brief report from the Secretary, Carl Schwenker delivered an update on the Money Show planning for 2006. Richard announced the Semi-Centennial celebration to be held on September 16th. Ricardo de Leon thanked the club for sponsoring him for the teacher's course at the ANA summer seminar in Colorado Springs. Ricardo was one of three teachers sponsored by GHCC. Ricardo mentioned that he has been asked to conduct a mini-seminar on the Mexico Mint at future ANA seminars. Barney Loebe announced that he is looking for old club photos to put on display at the semi-centennial celebration. Door prize winners were Francis Townsend and Jordan McClusky. Eric Morrow won the coin of the month drawing and named Canadian coins as the coin of the month for August. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:50 p.m. and was followed by an auction of numismatic items. Alvin Stern served as the auctioneer with the assistance of Barney Loebe and Kenneth Benson. Barbara Trout won the auction door prize.

Prior to the start of the August meeting, club members and guests feasted on an excellent dinner provided by Barbara Trout. Sebastian Frommhold called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 31 members and eight guests in attendance. The guests were Liz Cooper, Ray Valentin, Mary, Elizabeth, and Jonathan Howard, Dick and Ruth Osborn, and Gerry Ditz. The club voted to accept Bruce Burton as a new member. Sebastian Frommhold opened the floor for Show and Tell after briefly discussing and passing around a coin struck by Great Britain which was recoined from Spanish silver. Michael Wolford won the Show and Tell door prize. Jim Bevill then delivered the educational presentation on the story of Confederate coinage. It is

unfortunate if you were not able to attend. It was clear that Jim had done his homework on this topic. He spoke of interesting characters and presented images of original historical documents. Unfortunately, we cannot print his in depth article here because it is copyrighted and will be appearing in an upcoming issue of the *Numismatist*. Jim also brought two rare examples of Confederate half dollar restrikes thought to be produced from authentic 1861-O half dollars struck under the authority of the Confederacy. One was his own and the other belonged to Dick Osborn of Kemah who specializes in Seated Liberty coinage. Thank you Jim for your excellent presentation. Door prize winners were Mike Greenspan and Millie Brown. Barbara Trout won the coin of the month drawing and named the 1943 steel cent as the coin of the month for September. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m. and was followed by an auction of numismatic items. Alvin Stern served as the auctioneer with the assistance of Barney Locbe and Kenneth Benson. Jack Pavlovic won the auction door prize.

DISTRICT VII

Alamo Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

Attendance at the July 14th meeting was 34, with one visitor, Fred B.'s grandson Eric from England. **Roundtable: Willard R.** started with a copy of the 1948 ANA Membership Directory. He found the listing for George Henry Davis in Concord, New Hampshire. He got Willard started in coin collecting in 1939. **Fernando R.** had a 2004 Wisconsin State Quarter, High Leaf variety, sent to him by his nephew. **Walter S.** had an 1894 Guatemala Peso, struck on an 1894 Peru One Sol. **David A.** was successful bidder at an estate auction in Boerne on two German game tokens, with designs based on early American coins. **David F.** brought a1905J 1 Heller from German East Africa, from his grandfather's pre 1940 collection. **Don W.** had a Mexico Type set which he took before it could be photographed. **William D.** had a 1974 Texas Dollar token. **Bill S.** had an 1849 one Real from Costa Rica, shortly after they left the Central American Republic. The date was doubled because bolder numbers were struck into the die. **Douglas W.** had a 1920D quarter with a major cut or gauge on the obverse. **Fred B.** had a set of pre-WWII German coins, 1, 2, 5, 10 & 50 pfennig and 1 & 2 Mark coins. All have Hitler's Swastika on the reverse. **Tyler S.** had a 1973 large $10 silver com-memorative in a first-day cover from the Bahamas. **Richard G.** had a prices realized list from the auction in Boerne, indicating most bidders paid about double what coin dealers would have charged. **William B.** had a 1789 Netherlands East Indies One Duit, with Lion & shield on the obverse and the VOC monogram on the reverse. **Jim J.** had an ad from the Corpus Christi Caller-Times which offered 4 uncut $2 bills for only $8, plus $11 handling fee plus postage. **Harold E.** had an acrylic encased piece of graphite with engraved panel "A PIECE OF THE GRAPHITE USED IN THE FIRST ATOMIC PILE IN WHICH MAN, FOR THE FIRST TIME, ATTAINED AND CONTROLLED A NUCLEAR CHAIN REACTION ON DECEMBER 2nd 1942." **Roundtable drawing** winner: Jim J. **Door Prize** winner: Bill S. **Show Report:** 61 tables have been sold

The layout has been changed to provide 65 tables. If all dealers show, we should have a financially successful show. **Officers were installed.** Jim J. did the installation. All officers were present except the Treasurer who was out of town on family business. **Rick Medina** is now in rehab, learning to walk and do other physical activities. Fortunately, his mental faculties seem not to have been affected. **Program: Pre-Castro Cuban Coin-age** was presented by Fernando R., including a brief account of Cuba's colorful history. **Raffle winners:** Tyler S., Vernon D., Jean B., Bernadette D.(2), Robert D., Edith R., and Clinton B. **Auction:** Ron G. And Fred P. Auctioned 52 lots which were offered and sold 34 of them.

There were 26 at the July 28th meeting. **Roundtable: Willard R.** Led off with two 1984 cents, examples of single and double ear varieties. **Don K.** Had a 2002P Indiana State Quarter with a die break going through the Q over into the lower section of the bust. **Fred P.** Had a book, *Silver Melt,* 1983, by Henry Merton, which describes the illegal melting of silver when the price soared. Stolen silver was melted in the back of trucks as the thieves left the scene, destroying any possible identification of the stolen items. **Fernando R.** Had a 1944D silver nickel with a huge die break on the obverse running vertically from top to bottom. **William D.** Showed a one dollar casino chip from Excaliber in Las Vegas. **Richard G.** Had a 250 Dinar from Iraq, showing a portrait of Saddam Hussein. **Fred B.** Had a 1996 Yachting Commemorative Olympic Sport Medallion which came in a cereal box. **David A.** Had a bronze medal presented to Mike McKay, Past President of Greater Houston Coin Club, 1960. **Clinton B.** Had two Hobo Nickels, one was on a 1913 raised mound nickel. Someone spent a lot of time reworking one of them! **Jean B.** Had a German medal with the Zodiak and a swastika as a good luck symbol. It read "TRAGE MICH STETS BEI DIR UND VERLIERE MICH NICHT" which means "Carry me on you always and lose me not." **Robert J.** Had a token from the 50th Anniversary Greater Houston Coin Show, made by the Gallery Mint at the show. The obverse design is based on the Lincoln cent. **Harold E.** had four sterling silver proof medals from the 1972 Postmaster series by the Franklin Mint, portraying four crafts of the colonial Revolutionary period: Glass blowing, Wig Making, Printing, and Silver working. **Roundtable drawing** winner: Jean B., winning a one ounce 1984 silver American Prospector. **Door prize** winner: Clinton B., winning a 2005 silver American Eagle Dollar. **By-Laws Change:** A quorum was not present, so the By-Laws amendments weren't voted. **Show Report:** Fred P. Announced a vacancy in the Show Finance Committee due to Sanders H. Death. Walter S. was appointed to fill the vacancy. Harold E. reported that income from sale of 65 tables, plus entrance fee projected profit which should exceed costs, including the Children's Auction. Currently 62 of the 65 tables available have been sold. Harold E. also discussed news releases mailed to all newspapers within 225 miles of San Antonio. **Raffle Winners:** Py C., Jim J., Robert J. (2), Betty T. (2) and John P. (2). (Robert J. donated the hardbound 2005 Red Book he won to the Children's Auction.) **Auction:**

Fred P., Jim J., and runner Fernando R. found new homes for 18 of the 37 items auctioned.

Forty three were present at the August 11th meeting, including one new member, Wil T., and two visitors. Give a big welcome to Wil. Willard R. was out of town for his grandson=s graduation from Texas A&M, so VP Fernando R. presided. Before the meeting began, 1900 postcards were labeled and stamped for notifying visitors to previous shows of the Alamo Coin Show August 27th. **Roundtable: Fernando R.** led with an article from the July 5 issue of FHM Magazine on foreign currency being more attractive than U. S., with 8 illustrations and the unique and odd stories behind them. **Tim W.** had six errors: Unstruck Ike Dollar planchet; Unstruck silver dime planchet, 1970D 25¢ struck on dime thickness planchet; 1967 10¢ with classic 20% clip; 1943P cent struck off center and 2001D cent broad-struck, the size of a quarter. **Bill H.** had an otherwise uncirculated 1999 Lincoln cent which had been altered to have Lincoln smoking a cigar! **Walter S.** had ac 1921 notgeld from the German city of Koblenz. **Bob B.** had a USAF medallion showing an armada of planes over Iraq for the AShock and Awe@ operation. The reverse had the emblems of each unit which participated. **Bill D.** had a 1962 Mexico silver medal celebrating the centennial of the Cinco de Mayo battle against French rule. **Robert S.** had an 1842O large date Seated Liberty Quarter, NGC rated VF, one of only 65 in VF or better slabbed by NGC & PCGS. **David A.** had 2 1988 silver 10,000 Won Olympic coins from South Korea, one showing a leaping woman and the other a runner. They were found in a pawn shop. **Richard G.** had an 1832 penny token from Nova Scotia with George IV portrayed. **Fred B.** had an Adolph Hitler medal dated 1889-1945 with the inscription Aein volk - ein reich - ein führer@ or AOne people, one country, one leader@. **Harold E.** had a pewter medal from Longines Symphonette, one of a patriotic series, this honored Patrick Henry who is famous for his speech in 1775 which contained the quote Agive me liberty or give me death!@ **William B.** had a bronze medal celebrating the Centennial of the San Antonio Archdiocese 1874-1974. It reads Ast. anthony pray for us@ and portrays St. Anthony with a child, flanked by the Alamo and San Fernando Cathedral. **Jim J.** closed with a Netherlands 1900 1/2 cent with 4 die cracks, two on each face. Winner of the **Roundtable prize:** Richard G. **Door Prize** winner: Clarence M. **By-Laws** changes: With a quorum present, the changes were approved by the membership. The changes require the officers to provide a short written report of their activities in office, to assist incoming officers. The nominating committee is to be appointed in April, allowing a month for the committee to provide a slate. The newsletter budget is increased up to $150 per monthly issue. **Show Report:** Sixty one tables have been reserved and if more requests are received, a revision in table arrangement will be made to add up to six tables. We have 3 exhibits, but need for more members to provide exhibits for the show, as a means to interest new collectors. Many collectors have been influenced to add new fields to their collections by the exhibits they have seen at shows. All personnel needs of the show will be discussed at the next

meeting. **Children's Program:** On March 8th Betty T., Jim J. and Harold E. gave a talk on coin collecting at the Universal City Library to 35 Home Schooled children and their parents. A review of all fields of numismatics was presented, with examples shown. An auction was held, using modified copies of a Republic of Texas one dollar bill for bidding on state quarters, new buffalo nickels and similar coins donated by the Alamo Coin Club members. All were invited to our show on August 27th, and many promised to be at our show. **Program:** Promoting the hobby of Coin Collecting: Fernando R. led the discussion. Bill S. Jr. told about the interest of young collectors in the state quarters program. Others added stories of how they became interested in the hobby. We should offer programs at schools and in conjunction with other children`s activities. **Raffle winners:** Bernadette D., Ed L., Jamie D.(2), Py C., William H., and John P. **Auction:** Auctioneer Ron G. broke his arm in a fall and was not present. Fred P. conducted the auction, assisted by Jim J., selling 20 of the 35 lots offered.

There were 38 present at the August 25th meeting. Willard R. presided. **Roundtable: Willard R.** began with a very oversized $100 note copy and an article about a pasted counterfeit $50 made by pasting number A5"s from a five dollar note onto a ten dollar note. His sloppy job let to the counterfeiter=s capture. **Don K.** had a 2003D Maine state quarter which appeared toned on both faces. **Fernando R.** had a book The Secret Symbols of the Dollar Bill - A Closer Look at the Hidden Magic and Meaning of the Money You Use Every Day@, by David Ovason. He found the book that day. **David A.** had a 1969 Football Centennial medal honoring The University of Texas (Austin). The Longhorns were National Champions in 1969. The medal has a football play in action on one side and the Seal of the university on the other. **Jay G.** had visited the U. S. Mint in Philadelphia and showed a photograph of the mint. **Fred B.** had copies of U. S. currency, labeled AMade in China@, at 2/3 full size. Bills were $1, $5, $10, $20 and $100. **Tyler S.** had a French Indochina 1923 five cents., before it became Vietnam. **Py C.** concluded with a 1925 Canada 54, a key date, in VF+. The **Roundtable prize** winner: Fred B. **Show Report:** Volunteers are needed in several time periods and areas. Sign-up sheets were passed around and filled out. Sixty three tables have been sold, and because of the increased dealer participation we bought larger ads, one in Sunday's Sports Section and one in Friday's WeekEnder. There will be four exhibitors with six exhibits, using 10 cases. A club this size should have at least 2 more members preparing exhibits for our shows. **Raffle winners:** Py C., Tyler S., Wesley W., Robert D., William H. and Don K. **Auction:** David A. and Fernando R. conducted the auction, assisted by Robert D. Of the 51 lots offered 44 lots were sold!

August 27th Show Report--We had a very successful show, with 584 paid attendees, plus about 80 club members, 97 dealers & helpers and about 100 children, for a total estimated attendance of about 860. There were 44 dealers using 63 dealer tables (one dealer did not show and had no deposit). Dealers were busy most of the day and all reports heard were positive.

DISTRICT VIII

South Texas Coin Club

A special election meeting was held in Kenedy July 7th 2004 at Barth's restaurant. The South Texas Coin Club includes Kenedy, Beeville and Victoria clubs under one umbrella with meetings and shows held in each respective town.The minutes from the previous month were read and approved. The By-Laws and the Ethics code were read aloud, mainly for the new and potential members. That was followed by a treasurers report after which an election of officers took place. There was 25 members in attendance. The highlight of the evening was when Bob and Doris Bills were awarded plaques for their generous time, support and encouragement in promoting coin clubs and collectors. The latest Kenedy meeting was held at the same place and time on August 4th 2005, this reporter was not present.
The South Texas Coin club welcomes all visitors to our monthly meetings the first Thursday of the month at Barth's Restaurant in Kenedy, TX 6pm the second Thursday of the month at The Green Door Restaurant in Beeville, TX 6pm and on the third Thursday of the month at Holiday Inn in Victoria, TX 6pm

The Beeville Coin Club; met on July 14th at 6pm at the Green Door Restaurant on highway 181. The club had been meeting at My Country Kitchen but a conflict arose so the next meeting will also be at the Green Door Restaurant at 6pm on August 11th 2005. There were 18 members present and discussion was centered around how and where to hold the clubs next coin show, which was scheduled to be held at My Country Kitchen on September 17th 2005. It has since been moved to October 1, 2005 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the First Baptist Church Gymnasium, 600 N. St. Mary's Street, The size of the room is 60' x 90' for more information coins@ccatech.com or Bob Bills at (830) 780-3522. There was a raffle which was won by Clifford Engle and the door prize was won by Vernie Blanchard.

The Victoria Coin Club; met on July 21st at the Holiday Inn however this reporter was not there to get a report. There was a Victoria club Coin Show on September 10th 2005 at the Holiday Inn in Victoria consisting of 27 dealers with 38 tables. Collector traffic was light with many commenting on how gas prices and Katrina were impacting the hobby. Members present discussed the possibility of hosting one of the T.N.A. mid-winter shows, with the South Texas Clubs as co-sponsor, the matter will be presented to Kenedy, Beeville and Victoria membership.

Corpus Christi Coin Club:

June 21st 2005 meeting was held at the LaRetama library downtown, topics covered included a letter from an early club member Wayne McNealy which was a very welcome trip down memory lane, and concern was expressed for

the widows of members (Don B. & Floyd B.). A full report on the recent T.N.A. Convention and meetings in Fort Worth was given to club members by David Kerr Burke (T.N.A. Governor). The program was a show and tell with interesting die varieties of Bust half dollars and other member prizes, of course coin topics of all shades being shared with all present, including the recent June 13th 2005 Coin World article about CCAC calling "Liberty, Freedom and Independence" too political as design themes for a U.S. Coin, the consensus of members present was, "have those folks lost their minds?" as you might guess members present did not support that ideal. 8 members were present. Door prizes won by David Kerr Burke and Rick Roberson.
The Corpus Christi Coin Club should have met on July 19th at the main library however only 4 members showed up due to the impending storm (hurricane Emily) which missed Corpus Christi, so the meeting was canceled. Our next meeting will be held on August 16th 2005 at 7pm at the main library. Please plan to attend for more information email coins@ccatech.com . Our annual Christmas party has been scheduled for 6pm on December 20th at Bayou Grill. No it is not just a rumor... Corpus Christi had a Coin Show on July 24th. The show was put on by JMV Entertainment and although it was poorly attended (by both dealers and the public) it was the first show held here in several years. There will be another one called "Corpus Christi Coin & Currency Show" October 23rd 2005 at the Radisson Hotel Corpus Christi Beach 3200 Surfside Boulevard. The hotel is located on Corpus Christi (North) Beach, near the USS Lexington Museum in Corpus Christi. Admission is $2.00 Dealer Tables are $65.00 Point of Contact is: JMV Entertainment, P.O. Box 151, Temple, TX 76503 (254) 773 -4757 / (254) 760 -8682 his e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com or visit his website: www.jmventertainment.com The Corpus Christi Coin Club is assisting JMV in publicizing the event which we expect to be bigger and better. NOTE: **The Kingsville Coin Club** is still hanging in there with a whopping 2 members. For information on meeting dates and location email coins@ccatech.com or John Smolik at johnny.smolik@sbcglobal.net

DISTRICT IX

Lamb County Coin Club (Internet Report)

The July meeting for the lamb county coin club was called to order by Vice President David Keithly at 7:30 PM. There were 8 members and 1 guest present. The minutes from the last meeting were submitted and approved by Harvey Miller. Larry Sanderson read the treasurer's report and collected all dues for the upcoming year, including one new member Tammy Branham. A round table discussion followed with everyone telling of the events from the last month. David shared his recent collection of Casino tokens and passed around for anyone who was interested in buying. Lamonte brought a variety of coins both foreign and American. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM. The August meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Vice President David Keithly with 9 members present. The minutes from the last meeting were submitted and approved by Harvey Miller. Larry Sanderson read the

treasurer's report. A motion was brought to the table by Larry to pay Harvey the postage expenses since July of 2004. The motion was seconded by Sherry Keithly. A vote was rendered and the motion passed unanimously. A round table discussion followed with everyone telling of the events from the last month. Larry shared his love token collection. Lamonte brought a wide variety of Australian Zodiac and Silver Dollars. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM

Submitted by Gober Pitzer

South Plains Coin Club (Internet Report)

There was no business meeting in July due to our annual hot dog supper. There were 29 members and guest present. Everyone pitched in by bringing hot dog fixings, chips, sodas, and desserts for the meal. Everyone had a great time with the fellowship that followed the supper.

The August meeting for the South Plains Coin Club was our yearly trade show. After a short meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Arlin Hilton with 27 members present. The members discussed the upcoming coin shows in San Angelo on September 17th & 18th and in Abilene in October. The members also discussed the advertising for the upcoming South Plains Coin Club Show in March 2006. Arlin will get volunteers together to form an advertising committee. The members discussed a ½ page ad in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal's business section. There were a variety of items donated to the auction by the members to raise money for the club to operate for the next year. Everyone had a good time buying and selling a variety of coins and collectibles.

Submitted by Gober Pitzer

DISTRICT X

International Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

John G. called the July 7th meeting of the International Coin Club of El Paso to order at 7:30 pm. He welcomed 38 of our club members and 9 guests. Dottie T. read the minutes from the June 16th meeting with no additions or corrections. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. John proposed to the members that if anyone had new business to bring it to his attention prior to the start of the meeting. He wants to cut out as much of the business from our meetings as possible. John asked for members input on the purchase of a projector to be used in the presentation of programs. After a brief discussion he made a motion and it was seconded that the club purchase the projector. A count was taken of the members present and the majority approved the purchase. George P. gave a very interesting report of the latest Numismatic news. Our monthly auction was conducted by Patrick, Steven, Willie, Harold and Don. The Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

John G called the meeting July 21st meeting to order at 7:35pm. He welcomed 30 members with no guest present. Mike C read the minutes from the July 7th meeting with one correction noted and made. John G informed the members that he would begin looking on e-bay for a small (inexpensive)

projector VCR that can easily be stored for use during presentations and perhaps used during the auction nights. John also requested the services of any members who might have the ability to build a storage case for the unit. George Patt gave the latest Numismatic news. Several club members gave show and tell presentations. John G. on his one animal coin collection. Chuck S. showed us a Proof 64 1892 V Nickel (which is for sell). Pat C. showed examples of five and ten pesos Mexican notes. Jim T. showed the members a very nice proof 1995 West Point Set. Bob P. Gold Byzantine coin from 645-695 AD and a 1951 Franklin Half dollar. Roger W. showed us a French West Africa 1901 Togo item. Walt W. presented an Italy Somaland 1914 una Rupia coins. The club viewed a film on How to Grade Coins (ANA) (Only showed half the film at this time). The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

DISTRICT XIII

Wichita Falls Coin Club (Internet Report)

The regular Jul meeting was held on July 28. There were 9 members and one visitor, Mr Mark Snyder, in attendance. Due to the excellent financial condition of the club, members voted to increase the number of raffle prizes to be given away each month as well as to have prizes of greater value. Mr Jeff Hogue volunteered to assist with the ticket sales for the raffle each month. The club president, Mr. E. B. "Robbie" Robinson, gave an interesting program on the history of the San Francisco mint which opened for operation in 1854.

The regular Aug meeting was held on Aug 25. There were 10 members and two visitors present. The two visitors, Jerry and Adina Crawford, joined the club that evening and became our newest members. The minutes for the previous meeting were read and approved as was the Treasurer's report. Under old business, the chairman of our annual coin show, Mr Gene Wheeler suggested a tentative date for our 2006 show of 24-26 March. After a brief discussion, the tentative dates were unanimously approved. Gene also recommended that we raise the price of the tables from $100 to $125 for the first table and $100 for additional tables. This suggestion was also approved. Gene solicited volunteers to help get things rolling to arrange for the show. President E. B. "Robbie" Robinson volunteered to contact the EMPAC to confirm the showdates to be held there. Gene said that he would get flyers published to start letting the world know of the upcoming show. As a program, Gene discussed current events reports from recent shows that he has attended throughout the country in recent months. Robbie led a 24 lot auction followed by meeting adjournment at 9 PM

Submitted by E. B. Robinson, Jr., District XIII Governor

Greenbelt Coin Club (Internet Report)

The regular Aug meeting was held on August 1. There were 13 members in attendance. Under new business, club members decided to go ahead and hold the Sept meeting on the normal meeting night even though it would fall on Labor Day. Mr Gene Wheeler reported on a number of coin shows that

he had attended during July including ones held in Grapevine TX, Colorado Springs CO, Besimer ALA, and San Francisco CA. He generally reported good dealer business and public attendance except the Grapevine show where public attendance was poor. For a program, Gene shared various "war stories" about some of the happenings that he had witnessed at the many coin shows that he has attended over the years. Mr. Ollie Garrett conducted the auction with 7 of 18 items being sold.
Submitted by: E. B. Robinson, Jr., District XIII Governor

DISTRICT XV

Greater Port Arthur Coin Club (Internet Report)

There were 13 members with one guest present at the July meeting. Last month's minutes were approved as was the Treasurer's Report. Jerry Williams discussed the new reverse on the Lincoln cent to celebrate Lincoln's 200 birthday. The Program of the Month was on Faceless Coins by Jerry Williams. He introduced the Shield Nichol that included a three cent silver coin that was minted in 1851 in New Orleans. The two cent copper coin was minted in 1864 and was the first coin with In God We Trust. In 1916 the standing liberty quarter was topless and a chain vest was placed on her in 1917. Raffle prize winners were Jerry Williams - Silver Round; Barbara Williams 1973 Proof Set; Lynn Broussard 1978 Proof 69 Ike dollar; Shirley Pearson 1992 US Mint Uncirculated Coin
There were 14 members and 3 visitors at the August meeting. The minutes for July were read and accepted as was the Treasure's report. Plans to improve our monthly meetings and coin shows were discussed. Jerry Williams reviewed plans from area clubs. Barbara Norwood gave the program of the month on two dollar bills. She explained that the two dollar bill was originally a large bill and Alexander Hamilton was on the large bill from 1862-1869. In 1869 it became a small bill and had Monticello on the back and Thomas Jefferson on the face. She explained about the silver certificate and about the federal notes. The two dollar bill was fazed out in 1966 to save money. She also went over a lot of events surrounding the two dollar bill. Door Prizes were awarded to; Ray Gannaway - Silver Round, Joseph Scott - 1987 Proof Set, Fluf Gannaway - 1971 Ike Proof, Shirley Pearson - 1971 Blue Ike, Tracie Updike - 1972 Un circulated Mint set P, Robbie Gannway - 2003 circulated bill. Many lots were sold in the auction that closed the meeting. The Greater Port Arthur Coin Club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Jefferson County Clinic Building, 7965 Viterbo Rd. adjacent to the Southeast Texas Regional Airport. **Submitted by: Tracie Updike - Secretary**

Silsbee Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

The Ausgust 29th, meeting of the Silsbee Coin Club was called to order by President Paula Simmons. The Pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes of July meeting were approved. 12 members were present. Treasurer report by

Barbara was given and approved. Old Business: On Oct.23 we will meet with the Beaumont club for dinner meeting at Red Lobster. There will be no meeting at this time. We will have our regular meeting on Oct.31. The Coin Show will be Sept. 17-18 at the civic center in Beaumont. Jerry passes out circulars for us to distribute. The hall will be set up Friday PM and dealers will set up Sat morning starting at 7 AM. New Business: Jerry told of the woman who found 10 1933 double eagles in her husband's estate. The government confiscated them. Program: Barbara told about attending the ANA meeting in San Francisco, including the cable cars, Alcatraz, and Fisherman's Wharf. A coin auction was held before the meeting was adjourned. Nest month's meeting will be in back building.

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